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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: BENC, BTIO, SA, US

SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECT(S) FOR CONSULTING AND DESIGN OF UNIVERSITY
CAMPUS

1. SAUDI FIRM, THE GREAT ESTATE EST., P.O. BOX 1332,
RIYADH, CABLE: KREDISCO, TEL: 65456, APPROACHED EMBASSY
MARCH 15 SEEKING U.S. CONSULTING FIRM ON URGENT BASIS
TO SUBMIT PRE-QUALIFICATIONS NLT MARCH 23 FOR EVENTUAL
DESIGN OF MAJOR EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION, ISLAMIC
UNIVERSITY, AT RIYADH. ACCORDING TO FIRM'S OFFICERS,
PROJECT ESTIMATED AT MINIMUM 700 MILLION RIALS
(\$200 MILLION).

2. ACCORDING TO GENERAL INFO PROVIDED, PRIORITY WILL
BE GIVEN TO U.S. CONSULTING/DESIGN (A&E) FIRM WITH
PRIOR UNIVERSITY CONSTRUCTION EXPERIENCE IN ISLAMIC
STATES FOR CAMPUSES OF ISLAMIC CHARACTER OR "OLD
STYLE ARAB UNIVERSITIES."

3. THE GREAT ESTATE EST. MUST SUBMIT INFO ON U.S.
FIRM, INCLUDING (A) FINANCIAL STANDING, (B) REPUTATION,
(C) PAST EXPERIENCE (PROJECTS IMPLEMENTED).

4. COMMENT: REQUEST FOR ABOVE INFO WAS "EMBASSY WALK-
IN" WITH NO PREVIOUS CONTACT. EMBASSY DOES NOT HAVE
WTDR ON "THE GREAT ESTATE EST.," BUT INITIATED
ACTION TODAY. SUBJECT SAUDI FIRM GAVE AS REFERENCES
NATIONAL COMMERCIAL BANK, FIRST NATIONAL CITY BANK,
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AND RAJIHI EST., RIYADH. RAJIHI EST. IS TANTAMOUNT

TO ANOTHER BANK (SEE WTDR 09/74 FOR RAJIHI.).

5. EMBASSY RECOGNIZES THE SHORT NOTICE BUT REQUESTS ANY RESPONSE POSSIBLE. FIRM'S OFFICIALS ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO FUTURE SAG PROJECTS TOTAL IN EXCESS ONE BILLION RIALS. SUBSEQUENT REQUESTS FOR CONSTRUCTION COMPANIES AND COMPANIES SPECIALIZED IN PRE-FAB HOUSING (CONCRETE, FIBERGLASS, AND WOOD) WILL FOLLOW. MEANTIME, EMBASSY WILL BE DEVELOPING BONA FIDES OF "THE GREAT ESTATE EST." U.S. FIRMS SHOULD CONTACT IT DIRECTLY WITH INFO COPIES TO EMBASSY.
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